UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Farm Service Agency
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For: State and County Offices

Guaranteed Loan Systems (GLS) Shutdown

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1 Overview

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Background

St. Louis Finance Office will be implementing Rural Development Application Processing and Tracking System (RDAPTS) software and convert Business Program and Community Facility, Rural Community Facilities Tracking System, data to the GLS database. Implementation of the software will require that GLS be temporarily shut down for all users.

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Purpose

This notice provides information about the shutdown of GLS.

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Contact

State Offices shall direct questions about this notice to Pat Elzinga, LMD, Guaranteed Loan Making Branch at 202-720-3889.

Disposal Date	**Distribution**
December 1, 2002	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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2   Conversion Process

**A
Implementation
Schedule**

The schedule for implementation is as follows.

Date	Action
August 15, 2002	The last day to enter loan closing transactions. The transactions will process that night but no further loan closing transactions will be processed until GLS becomes available again after the implementation of RDAPTS.
August 16, 2002	GLS Loan Closing transaction disabled. Users will be able to process all other GLS transactions. All loans input on August 16 will process, and the system will be shutdown after the nightly updates.
August 17 through 25, 2002	GLS will be shutdown and unavailable, including all GLS reports.
August 26, 2002	GLS will be available to all users for all transactions, and first update will run this night.

State and County Offices shall:

- note the dates in this subparagraph and enter any obligations or other transactions before the shutdown date, when possible

- continue to update MAC.